

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

Initially, applicants note the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed July 30, 2004 has not been acknowledged as considered. For convenience, a copy of that Information Disclosure Statement, including its date-stamped filing receipt, is again attached hereto. Applicants request confirmation of consideration of the references cited in the noted IDS.

Claims 1-16 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 2, 6, 8-10, 14, and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as anticipated by U.S. patent application publication 2002/0113994 to Smith, III et al. (herein “Smith”). Claims 3-5, 7, 11-13, and 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Smith in view of U.S. patent 6,707,581 to Browning.

Addressing the above-noted rejections, those rejections are traversed by the present response.

Each of independent Claims 1 and 9 is amended by the present response to clarify features recited therein. Specifically, independent claims 1 and 9 now recite additional features in the present invention such as discussed in the present specification with respect to Figure 7.

The claims as currently written are directed to a method and system for printing information. According to such a method and system, a wireless handheld mobile device can transmit, over a wireless connection, information to be printed to an Internet service provider (ISP). A wide area network receives the information from the Internet service provider and forwards the same information transmitted from the handheld computing device to a printer configured to print the forwarded information.

According to a non-limiting example as shown for example in Figure 1 in the present specification, a wireless mobile device 106, which for example can be a wireless smart phone, a wireless personal digital assistant (PDA), or the like, transmits information to an Internet service provider (ISP) 108. That same information transmitted from the wireless mobile device 106 can ultimately be printed at a printer 110. Thus, in the claimed invention information from the wireless mobile device 106 can be output at printer 110.

Further, as now clarified in the claims if the printer is not available, the information to be forwarded to the printer is stored in the handheld device (step 709 in Figure 7), and an indication is provided to the user that the printer is not available (step 711 in Figure 7). Further, then the user of the handheld computing device is allowed to delete the information to be printed (step 713 in Figure 7), and if the user does not delete the information periodic attempts are made to resend the information to be printed to the printer (step 717 in Figure 7).

Each of independent Claims 1 and 9 is amended by the present response to now clarify the above-noted features noted above and as shown for example in steps 709-717 in Figure 7 of the present specification. Further, such features are believed to clearly distinguish over the applied art.

Smith is directed to a system in which, for example, a wireless PDA 119 may receive information, and a printer can print information from an indication by the PDA 119.

Applicants respectfully submit Smith differs from the claims as currently written as Smith does not disclose any of the operations now clarified in each of independent claims 1 and 9 of determining whether a printer is available, saving the information in the handheld device when the printer is not available, providing an indication of the printer not being available, allowing a user to delete the information to be printed, and if the user does not delete the information periodically attempting to resend the information to be printed to the printer.

Moreover, applicants note such features appear contrary to the operation in the device in Smith. Smith appears primarily directed to a device in which the PDA receives truncated information and a centralized server stores full information that can be printed. Smith appears to indicate that the truncated information can also be printed. However, in the system of Smith since the information to be printed is also stored on the server there does not appear to be any reason in Smith for the handheld device to save the information after printing request is made, provide an indication of the printer not being available on the handheld device, allow a user of the handheld computing device to delete the information to be printed, and if the user does not delete the information periodically attempt to resend the information to be printed to the printer. In the system of Smith since the information is stored on the server that information will always be available for subsequent printing. That is not the case in the claimed invention as in the claimed invention the information to be printed is on the handheld computing device.

In such ways, the claims as currently written are believed to distinguish over the applied art to Smith.

As no other issues are pending in this application, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and it is hereby respectfully requested that this case be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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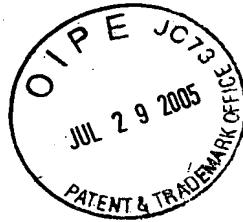
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